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Cyprus Shared Tours from Limassol-Cyprus

Valid April-October 2021

Join into shared tours with other English speakers. These tours operate on specific days of the week and all depart from Limassol. Usually small minibus of up to 14 persons.

Tour timetable for winter season is as follows with tour descriptions:

Day	Excursion	Cost per person in euros	
		Adults	Child 2-11yrs
Monday	Famagusta – Kerynia	€55	€30
Tuesday	Blue Lagoon & Boat Trip	€55	€35
	Nicosia & Larnaca	€45	€25
Wednesday	Paphos & Kourion	€50	€25
	Grand Tour: Lefkara – Kykkos – Troodos – Omodos wine village	€50	€25
Thursday	Paphos & Kourion	€50	€25
Friday	Mountain Villages: Agros Troodos Mountain – Kakopetria	€50	€25
	Blue Lagoon & Boat trip	€55	€35
Saturday	Grand Tour: Lefkara – Kykkos – Troodos – Omodos wine village	€50	€25
	Akamas Jeep Safari & Blue Lagoon Boat trip	€70	€45
Sunday	Ayia Napa	€40	€25
	Troodos Jeep Safari	€60	€35

Notes and Tours descriptions follow

Notes:

- Entrance fee to Kourion is included. Entrance fees to museums /castles are not included and payable locally
- Entrance fees for children under 12 are free of charge
- Visits to holy places (churches & monasteries), knees & shoulders should be covered
- Always wear comfortable shoes
- Lunch is optional and not included (except dinner on Cyprus night during summer)
- Tours operate subject to enough participants, we have the right to cancel or change the itinerary due to weather conditions or any other unforeseen circumstances.

Tour descriptions below.

Descriptions

Grand Tour – every Wednesday & Saturday

Begin the tour with a visit to LEFKARA village, where we will visit the Traditional House of LEFKARITIKA LACE and silver handicrafts. Here you will learn about the history and evolution of the best known Cypriot embroidery and see some extraordinary pieces of art. We will then drive through the countryside, passing many beautiful villages and will stop for a coffee break at ASTROMERITIS village.

Next, we will head up to the TROODOS MOUNTAINS, where we will visit KYKKOS MONASTERY- the island's most prosperous and opulent Orthodox monastery. Dedicated to the Virgin Mary, the monastery possesses one of the three icons attributed to Apostle Luke the Evangelist. After we will drive to the highest peak on the island, MOUNT OLYMPUS (1951 m).

We will make a stop at a picturesque mountain village, where you will have a chance to taste the traditional home cooked meat Meze and local wine. Lunch is optional and is not included in the price.

Our next stop will be at Lambouri Winery where we will enjoy wines produced from local grape varieties which grow on the island's best grape region, the A-Zone, on the southern slopes of the Troodos Mountains.

Last stop will be at OMODOS village, where we will visit the Timios Stavros Church of the Holy Cross.



Paphos & Kourion Tour - every Thursday

Discover the ancient city of KOURION with its famous, magnificent GREKO-ROMAN THEATRE and buildings of the late roman period with beautiful mosaics. Visit the Birthplace of the Goddess of Love and Beauty – APHRODITE. Walk through the caves and CATACOMBS of St. SOLOMONI in the ancient capital city of Cyprus - PAFOS. See The PILLAR of St. PAUL, where he has been bound and lashed as a punishment for preaching Christianity. From the OLD PORT area, the VENETIAN FORT, you will have free time to discover the nearby ARCHEOLOGICAL CITY – KATO PAFOS (included in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list in 1980). Here you may visit the famous Mosaics, local shops and souvenirs, cafes and enjoy lunch at one of the many attractive restaurants in the Old Port. Lunch is optional and is not included in the price.

On our return, we will visit GEROSKIPOU VILLAGE, where we shall taste the famous Cyprus Delights "LOUKOUMIA".



Mountain Villages of Agros & Kakopetria – Every Friday

Take a trip to discover the most traditional mountain villages on the island and local crafts.

A beautiful forest road will lead us to AGROS VILLAGE. Here, we will visit a well-known local SWEETS WORKSHOP, where you will have a chance to see how the natural sweets and jams are made. Next, we will visit the famous ROSE WORKSHOP, where excellent Rose Water and Organic beauty products are made using traditional Cypriot methods.

Our next destination will be the Church of Agios Nikolaos tis Stegis, which was included on the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1985. It is the only surviving katholicon (monastery church) of an 11th century Byzantine monastery in Cyprus. It is amazing to see this entirely painted church.

We will continue our journey to the traditional KAKOPETRIA VILLAGE, where we will stop for lunch in one of the village restaurants where you can try home cooked dishes. Lunch is optional and is not included in the price. There will be free time to explore this interesting village. Last, but not least, we will visit one of the largest waterfalls on the island MILOMERY WATERFALLS, after which we will stop for WINE TASTING at a local village winery.



Larnaca & Nicosia, the Capital – Every Tuesday

Take a trip to the Capital of Cyprus - NICOSIA. Here we will visit the ARCHBISHOP PALACE, which took much fighting during the invasion of 1974, and St JOHN'S CATHEDRAL (AYIOS IOANNIS), within the courtyard of the palace. We will then walk through LAIKI GEITONIA – a traditional neighbourhood of Nicosia with narrow winding streets and craft shops. In the Leventis municipal museum, you can view the objects from the history of the town and Island. Arriving at the liveliest part of the old city- LEDRAS STREET, you can enjoy some free time for souvenir shopping and the opportunity, if you would like, to cross over to the TURKISH OCCUPIED AREA of Cyprus.

Next, we will drive to LARNAKA, where you will see the magnificent AYIOS LAZAROS CHURCH - one of the finest examples of Byzantine architecture. On the famous Palm Tree lined sea front - FINIKOUDES PROMENADE you will have free time to visit cafes and restaurants.

*If you wish to cross over to the occupied area, bring your passport/ ID



Famagusta & Kyrenia – North Cyprus – Suspended

Our first stop will be at the viewpoint of the Ghost Town of the Varosha section of the town of Famagusta. Prior to the Turkish invasion, this was one of the world's best-known tourist resorts with its golden sand beaches and modern architecture. We will take a walk in the old town of Famagusta, where you will see the wall of the city and the Othello Tower and St Nicolas Gothic Church, which is now a mosque. Next we will visit the Bellapais Abbey of 14th century – a masterpiece of Gothic art and an architectural monument of world's importance.

Our next destination is the town of Kerynia, where you may visit Kerynia castle. You can observe the impact of many different historical periods – Byzantine, Lusignan and Venetian as well as enjoy the beautiful surroundings of the old harbor near which the castle is situated. We will stop for lunch in the area. Lunch is optional and is not included in the price. Passing by the Capital Nicosia and the Green Line, we will return to Limassol.

***You must bring your Passport with you on this tour**



Blue Lagoon Boat Trip – not applicable during winter (summer only)

Every Saturday – combination with Akamas Jeep Safari

Enjoy beautiful sea views, clear blue waters and memorable swimming experiences!

On our way to Akamas Peninsula, we will visit the Birthplace of Aphrodite – the ancient legend tells that the Greek Goddess of Love came from these waters.

At the Harbour of Latchi, we will board the Boat for an exciting 2.5-hour trip of sightseeing, relaxation, and swimming. We will visit the famous Fontana Amarosa or the Fountain of Love, which is said to bubble with the Goddess Aphrodite's fabled love potion. Then we will stop at the most popular bay in Cyprus – Blue Lagoon, famous for its beautiful white sandy bottom and blue crystal waters. Complimentary Wine, Juice, Fruit, and Snorkelling equipment will be offered on-board.

We will then head towards the natural pool, surrounded with greenery – Baths of Aphrodite. We will stop for lunch at a traditional beach Restaurant. Lunch is optional and is not included in the price.

Lastly, we will visit the banana plantations and stop at the incredibly beautiful sea caves.

* remember to bring your swimming gear and towel!



Cyprus Night - (summer only) (suspended)

Join a special Cyprus Night for great entertainment in true Cypriot style!

We will visit a traditional Cypriot tavern located in the narrow streets of a small village in the Pafos district – Kouklia.

This is a mythical birthplace of the Greek goddess of love and beauty – Aphrodite. According to the legend, this village became the centre for her worship in the ancient world.

You will be served a typical Cypriot Meze, which consists of many different local dishes. This is a perfect opportunity sit back and enjoy the tastiest foods on the island "siga-siga" or slowly-slowly. Your dinner will be accompanied by local village red or white wine.

The tavern is popular with local Cypriots and you will experience together with them, lots of dancing and fun!

The program includes an amazing floor-show of Greek and Cypriot folk dancing and music, which eventually will tempt you to join in!

Evening Tour: Departure 19:00 return approx. 23:30



Agia Napa Swimming - Every Sunday (only in summer)

Sunbathe and swim in the best-known beach town in Cyprus!

Our first stop will be at the Bridge of Love. The ancient legend tells that if you kiss at this bridge, your love will become eternal or you will find your true love very soon after visiting it!

We will then discover the natural beauty spot – Cape Greco, at the southern end of Famagusta Bay, famous for its caves and crystal blue seawater. The local fishermen claim that the Agia Napa Sea Monster "The Friendly Monster" resides in these waters. We will make a stop at a small chapel dedicated to Agioi Anargyroi.

Our next stop will be in Agia Napa! Here you will have plenty of time to relax on the beautiful white sand of the famous Nissi Beach. You can spend the time at your leisure and visit the main popular tourist street for lunch and shopping. Lunch is optional and is not included in the price.

Bring your swimming gear and towel!



Akamas Jeep Safari & Blue Lagoon Boat Trip – (summer only) *Every Saturday*

Explore the beautiful nature preserve on the western coastal area of the island & indulge in a swim at the Blue Lagoon!

Our first stop will be at the Birthplace of Aphrodite. According to legend, it was here, next to the rock of Petra tou Romiou, where the legendary goddess was born. We will then continue our way to Akamas Peninsula, where we will visit Avakas Gorge – a natural wonder of the island with 30 meters high limestone walls. Here, we will stop for a walk deeper inside, to get breathtaking views of the natural beauty. Continuing on, we will drive off-road to the famous Lara Bay, known as the breeding ground of the Green Turtles of the Mediterranean. The Cyprus Government was one of the first in Mediterranean, to protect the turtle population and beaches where they nest. We will stop at a traditional Cypriot tavern, with spectacular views (lunch is optional and is not included in the price).

At the Harbour of Latchi, we will board the boat for an exciting trip of sightseeing, relaxation, and swimming. We will visit the famous Fontana Amarosa or the Fountain of Love, which is said to bubble with the Goddess Aphrodite's fabled love potion. Then we will stop at the most popular bay in Cyprus – Blue Lagoon, famous for its beautiful white sandy bottom and blue crystal waters. Here you will have time for swimming, snorkeling and relaxation.

Bring comfortable shoes & Swimming gear & towel!



Troodos Jeep Safari – Every Sunday

Add a thrill and excitement to visiting the most famous sites of Cyprus!

Travelling through the countryside, our first stop is at Pano Kivides Village, near an old church of St George. Next, we will visit the traditional Omodos village, where you can see Timios Stavros Church of the Holy Cross, and explore the local souvenir shops. You will be able to try different types of local wines from this famous wine producing area.

We will then visit the ancient Kelefos Bridge, hidden deep within the mountains, which connected two parts of Cyprus many years ago (wear comfortable shoes).

Afterwards, we will drive off-road towards the richest and the largest active monastery in Cyprus – Kykkos Byzantine Monastery. Dedicated to Virgin Mary, it holds her icon painted by St. Luke.

We will then reach the highest peak on the island – Mount Olympus at 1950 meters. Next, we will stop for lunch in a traditional Village Tavern to enjoy homemade Cyprus meze, accompanied with local wine. Lunch is optional and is not included in the price. Lastly, we will visit one of the largest on the island – Millomeri Waterfalls. Passing the biggest dam in Cyprus ALASSA we will end our safari.



Kalidonia Waterfalls Jeep Safari & Donkey Riding – only in summer – On request

A beautiful countryside road through little villages and splendid views will take us to the DONKEY FARM in APESIA HILLS – one of the most unspoiled and natural areas in Cyprus. Here you will be able to enjoy the fresh air and hillside views, as well as have great fun and laughter RIDING YOUR DONKEY! We will then make a stop at the village square, to see the grand “Tremithos” – a huge tree over 1,500 years old.



Our exploration will continue with an exciting OFF-ROAD drive with magnificent panoramic views. Our next stop will be in LANEIA – a picturesque village at the foot of Mount Troodos, one of the country's wine producing villages. We will walk through the beautiful flower lined streets and stone houses and visit an ancient and authentic Linos – a wine press formerly used for making Commandaria wine.

Continue our drive to Troodos Mountains, where we will stop for a walk inside the beautiful mountains, at one of the highest waterfalls in Cyprus KALIDONIA WATERFALLS.

Feeling hungry, it will be time for lunch at a traditional mountain village restaurant (lunch is optional and is not included in the price).

We will then visit one of the local Wineries for wine tasting. Thereafter, we will discover the unspoiled picturesque Kapilio Village famous for its Commandaria sweet wine, and also take a look inside Agios Georgios (St George the Triumphant) Church.

On our return to Limassol passing by the countryside vineyards and fruit trees, we shall visit the ruins of the old Korfi Village which settlement was destroyed by a landslide in 1969.

Tours are full day: Departure 08.00 return approx. 17.00

Exact pick up time to be advised.

Additional Jeep Safaris from Limassol – Ref JSDKR (English speaking)

Route	Day	Adult	Child	Lunch
Akamas	Wed, Fri, Sat	€75	€50	Included
Troodos	Tues, Thurs	€75	€50	Included
Akamas & Blue Lagoon	During summer			

Note:

Other languages possible for jeep safaris (Ref JSDKR) in French or German or Dutch, but subject to enough participants and re-confirmed 24 hours in advance.